

**Fuquay-Varina UMC is a Christ-centered community that  
Loves God, Learns God, Serves God, & Shares God.**

## Love God

### Fulfilling the Law of Christ

On the Stephen Ministry page ([www.fvumc.org/StephenMinistry.htm](http://www.fvumc.org/StephenMinistry.htm))

of our church web site you'll find the scripture from Galatians 6:2 which tells us to bear one another's burdens so that we may fulfill the law of Christ.

As Stephen Ministers, we have been called by Christ to serve him and you in this manner. God has taken our pain and suffering and healed it and has now called us to use those life experiences to honor and glorify him by helping others in need.

You see, the God of all comfort, as written in 2 Corinthians 1:3-5, has comforted us so that we may in turn comfort those in need so that our comfort may abound through Christ. Why not reach out your hand and let the Love of Christ touch your life through a Stephen Minister?

Contact one of our Stephen Leaders for more information.

Susanne Young 552-7503

Polly Sheets 552-5035

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Thearon Willis 552-7577

### Prayer Vigil Sign-Up

Please volunteer to pray for 30 minutes during the Commitment Sunday prayer vigil which runs from noon on Nov. 4 to noon on Nov. 5. You may sign up in our Church lobby today.

### Did you know...

God cares how we spend the money he gives us...

- Fair Trade ensures workers are paid a fair wage for their products.
  - Fair Trade ensures that sustainable enterprises can compete in global trading.
  - Fair Trade is a social principle of the UMC!
- Shop this year's **Fair Trade Store Oct. 28-29** in rooms 117-119 from 8 am – 8 pm!  
Contact Lindsi Hines at [lindsihines@nc.rr.com](mailto:lindsihines@nc.rr.com)

### Operation Christmas Child

Shoebboxes will be collected November 14-21! Help demonstrate God's Love in a tangible way to needy children around the world. More info to come! Contact: Jayne Chambers at 345-3418 or [Jaynechambers@hotmail.com](mailto:Jaynechambers@hotmail.com)

### UMW/Circle of Faith: 11/1

All women are invited to meet in the chapel at 10:00am. The Program: *World Thank Offering*  
Please remember to bring your offering!

## Learn God

### Awakening

A class for *college-aged and twenties* is meeting at 10:50 on Sunday mornings in Room 125. Come and join our community as we delve into our faith and share in relationships with each other. We will be studying Romans starting in October, so come and join us!

## Transformed Living

### Pearl of Wisdom:

Many congregations find that they have to recruit people for acts of service. No telling how much time is wasted trying to figure out who the best person might be for the job. No telling how much more we could accomplish if we weren't just sitting around, waiting to be asked. If you're like many folks, you've heard your mother say, "I've asked you a thousand times." Maybe she was talking about picking up your laundry off the floor, not drinking out of the milk carton, or not leaving your bike parked in the driveway. Regardless, at some point, you stopped hearing her.

How would things have been different if just once you did what she wanted you to without her having to ask? Chances are, you both would have been much happier. She could have saved her breath, and you wouldn't have rolled your eyes.

This week's readings in *Treasures of the Transformed Life* were about service.

The pastor's message will be about the same thing. So this morning, ask yourself a question: Is there any place God has nudged me to serve that I haven't yet tried?

If so, what are you waiting for? Someone else to ask you? Do yourself a favor: volunteer. The person on the receiving end will most likely be every bit as happy as your mother would have been the day she saw the bike in the garage rather than on the driveway.

*Coming up next week: Sign on the dotted line.*

## Journey through the Bible

Join the Pastor's Bible Study on Wednesdays!  
Morning Class at 10:30 am in Room 117/119  
Evening Class at 6:30pm in Room 117/119  
Don't forget your Bibles!

## Upper Room Bible Study

The Upper Room Bible Study class is for the beginning novice Bible study student as well as the more experienced students of God's Word.  
Facilitator: Craig Judd Room 117 at 9:30

## Serve God

### Clothing Closet Needs

**Donations:** Drop off in the shed in the gravel parking lot. (Winter clothes are needed)

**Help is Needed:** Volunteers are needed on Thursday and Friday to set up for Saturday morning. (11/3 Thurs. 2 pm & 11/4 Fri. 8:30am)

**Bakers Needed:** Please consider donating muffins for Saturday's Hospitality Table.

**The Giveaway:** Sat. 11/5 beginning at 8:00am

### First Aid Kit Team

Would you like to be on a quarterly team to double check all the First Aid Kits in our church building? Kits need to be assessed for band-aids and supplies to ensure the right supplies are in the right places in case we have a need! Please contact Pastor Elaine ASAP to join this emerging team.

## Share God

### Sharing God @ 10:50

What an opportunity to share God with our children at Sunday School! Leaders are needed for the rotational learning station model, especially for the **cooking and art segment!** This is a one hour commitment for only 3 weeks! If you would like more information, please contact Marisa Highsmith at [portcitybell@gmail.com](mailto:portcitybell@gmail.com) or 919-862-6710.

### WIHN Arrives!

Our Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network (WIHN) guests will arrive November 20th and make our adult wing their home for the week. As the season of Thanksgiving approaches please ponder all you are thankful for and share your blessings with the families we will be welcoming. You will be blessed in return. Please see the sign up board in the lobby for ways you, your family or your small group can help extend radical hospitality to our guests. *Remember Thanksgiving day we will need hosts (in shifts) throughout the day!*

Another way to help: Items are needed for Welcome Bags that are given to our guests! Please help us supply toiletries and more! Keep it small as the families are in transition each week. **Essentials:** soap, deodorant, shampoo, and toothpaste, toothbrushes. Nice extras: hand lotion, disposable razors, tooth brush holder, dental floss, soap holder, comb, baby powder, shower cap, band-aids, feminine products, travel baby wipes, travel sewing kit, pencil/pen/notepad. And small toys for children.

### FV Food Pantry Needs: Stuffing & Cranberry Sauce

A blue collection container is in the church lobby for your donations. No glass containers.

### Thanksgiving Dinners

Each year our church reaches out to the community to provide Thanksgiving meals for those who would otherwise not have a hot meal on Thanksgiving. For questions, contact Tres and Denise Prince at 387-4512 or [denise@the-princes.com](mailto:denise@the-princes.com).

If you can help in any way, please use the sign up form below. Tear off this form, and place it in the OFFERING PLATE or bring to the CHURCH OFFICE.

#### Thanksgiving Dinner Sign-Up:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

#### Helpers

- Set-up
- Cook/Prepare
- Serve/Load
- Deliver Meals
- Tear Down/Clean up

#### Donations

- Cash
- Green Beans-large cans
- Sweet Potatoes-large cans
- Cooked Turkeys
- Desserts

# Announcements

## Nursery/Childcare Staff Member Needed

We are looking for people who enjoy spending time with children to work in our nursery/childcare program (infant-10 years old). In addition to working one of the Sunday services, you will work one evening a week and during special activities, on an as needed basis. If you'd like to learn more, please contact Toni Drapkin at Tdrapkin@fvumc.org or 376-7143.

## Director of Children's Ministry

FVUMC is seeking an enthusiastic Spirit-led faithful disciple of Jesus Christ with excellent interpersonal and communication skills eager to lead, oversee, and develop all aspects of children's ministry including staff, volunteers, programming, curriculum and special events as our FULL-TIME Director of Children's Ministries. Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's degree (Master's preferred) in child-related development or previous successful leadership and networking; and at least three years of relevant experience.

A complete "Ministry Description" is available on the church web site at [www.fvumc.org](http://www.fvumc.org). A cover letter and resume may be sent to [jobs@fvumc.org](mailto:jobs@fvumc.org) or

[jobs@fvumc.org](mailto:jobs@fvumc.org) or Fuquay-Varina UMC,

Attn: Children's Ministry Director Search Committee, 100 S. Judd Pkwy SE, Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526 **by October 31, 2011.**

## Coats for the Children

The Salvation Army will be distributing coats in the Centrum to help families prepare for cold weather on November 5th 10-12:00 noon. This annual Salvation Army event will provide coats to Wake County children and their families. For more information please contact Sue Simkiss at 567-2181 or [www.keepthebellringing.org](http://www.keepthebellringing.org)

## TVR Fundraiser

Teen Valley Ranch Christian Camp will have their annual fundraising banquet **Tuesday November 8th!** The banquet will begin at 6:30pm with a delicious meal followed by Christian comedian Taylor Mason! Please prayerfully consider partnering with TVR and enjoy an evening of laughter and fellowship!

Cost is \$15 per person (\$10 for children under 12). You may reserve a table for your group of 8 for \$120. Please contact Sandra Bass at [basshouse@embarqmail.com](mailto:basshouse@embarqmail.com) or 552-9647 for tickets.

## ACTS 1:8 Celebration

April 20-22, 2012 will be a weekend that will both educate and energize our congregation, and encourage everyone to be on a mission with God! Teams are forming now to assist with the various events and tasks needed to make this event spectacular! Please contact Ann Ledford at 773-0334 or [ledford1428@gmail.com](mailto:ledford1428@gmail.com) to help!

# November

### Sunday, October 30

9:30am Transforming Life Study  
10:50am Transforming Life Study  
3:45pm Alleluia Ringers  
4:30pm Costa Rica Team Mtg (Ledford)  
4:30pm Connectings Class  
4:30pm FaithWeaver Friends  
4:30pm JuBELLation  
4:30pm Bible Studies  
4:45pm Transforming Life Study  
5:15pm FANFARE  
6:15pm Lifeline  
6:30pm Transforming Life Study

### Monday, October 31

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool  
9:30am ESL Classes  
9:30am Walk the Walk  
9:30am Transforming Life Study (Pinc)  
6:30pm Bible Study  
6:30pm GED Classes  
7:00pm Transforming Life Study  
7:00pm BSA Troop 320  
7:00pm DivorceCare

### Tuesday, November 1

6:30am Men's Early Group  
9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool  
9:30am ESL Classes  
9:30am Quilting Group

10:00am UMW Circle of Faith  
6:00pm reJoysSing  
7:00pm Church Council  
7:00pm CS Meetings

### Wednesday, November 2

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool  
9:30am ESL Classes  
9:30am Transforming Life Study  
9:30am Walk the Walk  
10:30am Pastor Al's Bible Study  
4:30pm Kidz NPraise  
5:45pm Youth Bells  
6:30pm Youth Life Groups  
6:30pm Pastor Al's Bible Study  
6:30pm Bible Studies  
7:00pm Worship Choir  
7:00pm Cantata Orchestra

### Thursday, November 3

6:00am Transforming Life Study (SOWers)  
9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool  
9:30am ESL Classes  
2:00pm Clothing Closet Set-up  
6:00pm Transforming Life Study  
7:00pm METS-Men Eager To Serve  
7:00pm Praise Team

### Friday, November 4

6:30am Transforming Life Study  
8:30am Clothing Closet Set-up  
9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool

### Saturday, November 5

6:30am Men in the Morning (MITM)  
8:00am Clothing Closet Give-A-Way  
8:00am Salvation Army Coat Give-A-Way

### Sunday, November 6

*Daylight Savings Ends*  
9:30am Transforming Life Study  
10:50am Transforming Life Study  
3:45pm Alleluia Ringers  
4:30pm Costa Rica Team Mtg (Ledford)  
4:30pm Connectings Class  
4:30pm Confirmation  
4:30pm FaithWeaver Friends  
4:30pm KFC  
4:30pm JuBELLation  
4:30pm Bible Studies  
4:45pm Transforming Life Study  
6:15pm Lifeline  
6:30pm Transforming Life Study  
7:00pm One Achord

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## Stewardship

**Our Presence:** 10/23/11  
Worship Attendance: 550

**By Our Gifts:** 10/23/11  
Received last week \$16,034.01  
Budget needed weekly \$24,032.00  
Average Received/week \$21,923.45  
Received YTD \$942,708.24  
Budget needed YTD \$1,033,376.00  
Difference -\$90,667.76  
New Mortgage Refinanced

\$500,000.00  
Applied to Principal \$8,904.66  
Received YTD \$10,140.00  
New Mortgage Balance (10/9/11) \$480,955.34

**Office Hours**  
8:30am-5:00pm  
Monday-Friday